

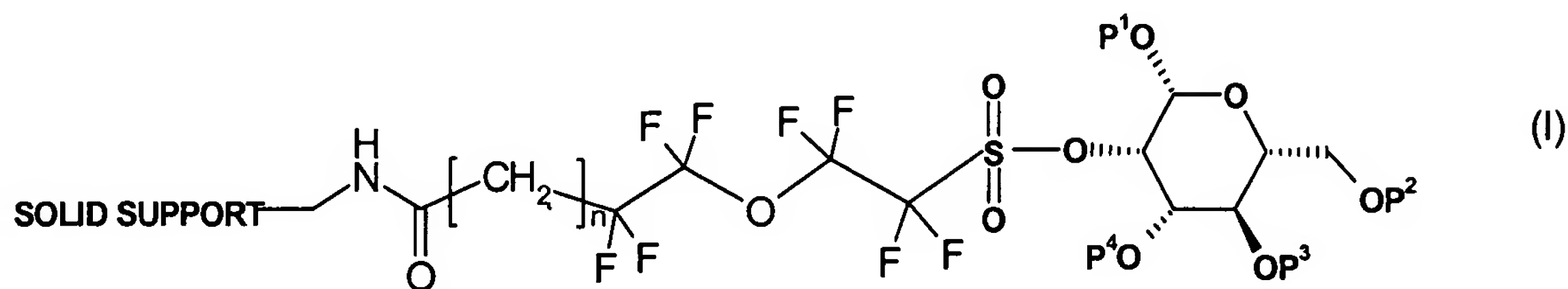
Please amend page 39, line 1 as follows:

Claims What is claimed is:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A compound of formula (I):



wherein P¹, P², P³, and P⁴ are each independently hydrogen or a protecting group;
and n is an integer of from 2 to 20.

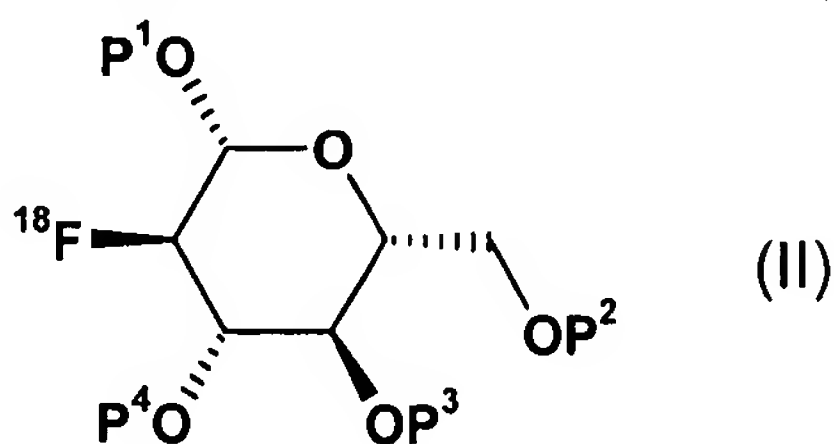
2. (Original) A compound of formula (I) according to claim 1 in which n is 4 to 12.

3. (Currently amended) A compound of formula (I) according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~ in which n is 6 to 10.

4. (Currently amended) A compound of formula (I) according to ~~any of claims 1 to 3~~
claim 1 in which n is 10.

5. (Currently amended) A process for the production of 2-¹⁸F-fluoro-2-deoxy-D-glucose (¹⁸F-FDG) which comprises treatment of a compound of formula (I) according to ~~any of claims 1 to 4~~
claim 1,

with ¹⁸F⁻ to produce the labelled tracer of formula (II)

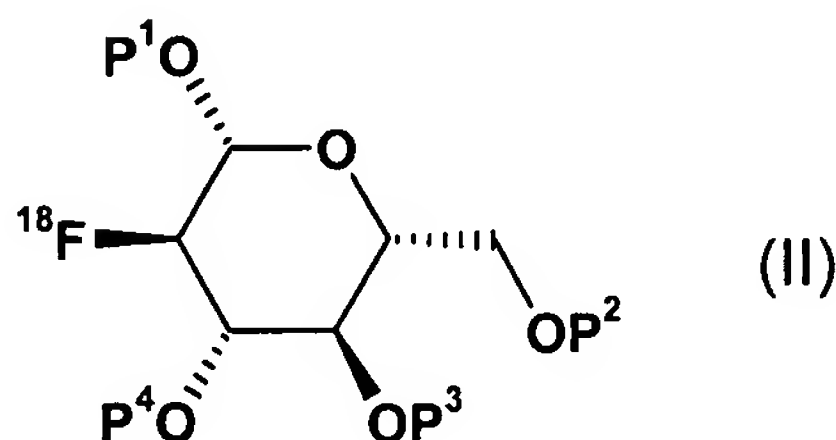


wherein P^1 , P^2 , P^3 , and P^4 are each independently hydrogen or a protecting group; optionally followed by

- (i) removal of excess $^{18}\text{F}^-$, for example by ion-exchange chromatography; and/or
- (ii) removal of the protecting groups; and/or
- (iii) removal of organic solvent; and/or
- (iv) formulation of the resultant compound of formula (II) as an aqueous solution.

6. (Currently Amended) A radiopharmaceutical kit for the preparation of ^{18}F -FDG for use in PET, which comprises:

- (i) a vessel containing a compound of formula (I) according to ~~any of claims 1 to 4~~ ; claim 1 and
- (ii) means for eluting the vessel with a source of $^{18}\text{F}^-$;
- (iii) an ion-exchange cartridge for removal of excess $^{18}\text{F}^-$; and optionally
- (iv) a cartridge for solid-phase deprotection of the resultant product of formula (II) as ~~defined in claim 5~~ .



7. (Currently amended) A cartridge for a radiopharmaceutical kit for the preparation of an ^{18}F -FDG for use in PET which comprises:

- (i) a vessel containing a compound of formula (I) according to ~~any of claims 1 to 4~~claim 1; and
- (ii) means for eluting the vessel with a source of $^{18}\text{F}^-$.

8. (Currently amended) A method for obtaining a diagnostic PET image which comprises the step of using a radiopharmaceutical kit or a cartridge for a radiopharmaceutical kit according to claim 6 ~~or 7~~.